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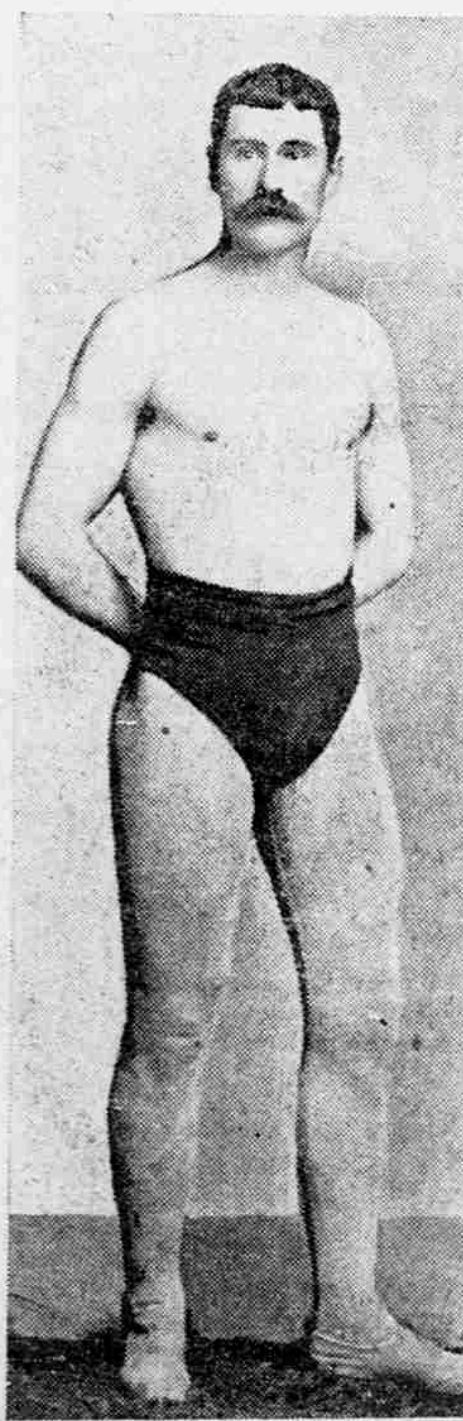
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DR. LEE DE FOREST.

His Achievements in "Radio-Telegraphy" and "Misfortune in Love."

One should not say "wireless telegraphy" now if he wishes to be scientific. The term adopted by the recent conference at Berlin on the subject of such communication is "radio-telegraphy." The conference framed an agreement between all the nations represented providing for free communication between the different systems of radio-telegraphy.

Dr. Lee De Forest, the inventor of one of the most widely used of these



DR. LEE DE FOREST.

systems, recently read a paper before the American Institute of Electrical Engineers describing a new wireless receiver of which he is the inventor. It is asserted that this receiver is far more sensitive than any of those invented earlier, and instead of utilizing a liquid it employs a sensitive gas.

Dr. De Forest has been eminently successful in science, but in love he has been less fortunate. He courted his wife by the radio-telegraphic system and, it is said, asked the important question several times by means of the apparatus in his own house and the instruments he set up in the apartment where lived the young lady he admired. She learned to talk by the wireless system, but it was some time before she used it to say "Yes." Their happiness was brief, for a short time ago an application was made for the dissolution of the marriage.

CAESAR AND CLEOPATRA.

The Forbes Robertsons and Their Portrayal of These Characters.

Shakespeare wrote a play about "Antony and Cleopatra," but it remained for George Bernard Shaw, the English playwright who has had the hardihood to criticize the Bard of Avon, to write a drama entitled "Caesar and Cleopatra." It is being played at a New York theater by Forbes Robertson, the noted English actor, and his wife, Gertrude Elliott, sister of Maxine Elliott. It is one of the principal subjects of conversation in theatrical circles both on account of the ability shown by Mr. and Mrs. Robertson in the interpretation of the leading roles and because of the unconventional way in which the dramatist has treated the characters.

Forbes Robertson is considered the greatest Hamlet of the English stage



FORBES ROBERTSON AS CAESAR AND HIS WIFE AS CLEOPATRA.

today. His wife, who made his acquaintance while playing with Nat Goodwin and Maxine Elliott in England, is a woman of much cleverness and beauty. One of the noted successes of the Forbes Robertsons was "The Light That Failed," in which Mr. Robertson took the part of Kipling's hero, Dick Helder, and his wife that of Maisie. In the play Helder, an illustrator and correspondent, woos Maisie, an artist, in a studio. That is a place familiar to Mr. Robertson, for he enjoyed reputation as a painter before he won fame as an actor. He once painted for Henry Irving the wedding scene in "Much Ado About Nothing." It contained portraits of all the leading characters.

EDWARD H. HARRIMAN.

His Fight For Control of the Illinois Central and His Personality.

The contest for the control of the Illinois Central railroad, which has recently been a leading subject of Wall street discussion, resulted in further increase in the power of Edward H. Harriman as a railroad king. By the election of Mr. Harriman's candidate for the presidency of the road James T. Harahan, to succeed Stuyvesant Fish it is believed that a close alliance will be established between the Union Pacific and the Illinois Central. This would be in accord with the fulfillment of Mr. Harriman's long cherished plan for a system extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In this great plan the Illinois road was the one link missing to complete a line of track from New York to San Francisco and Portland, Ore.; from the great lakes to the gulf and from the gulf to the Pacific again. The contest is mixed up with others connected with the great insurance investigation of last year, in which Harriman and Fish found themselves ranged on opposite sides in the matter of changes in the Mutual Life Insurance company. It was predicted at the time that Mr. Harriman would retaliate on Mr. Fish



EDWARD H. HARRIMAN.

through his railroad connections. The latter remains a director in the Illinois Central and, it is said, will retain his position in the directorate and continue his fight against domination of the Illinois Central by the Union Pacific. He claims the election was illegal.

The incident of Mr. Harriman's remark regarding his relations with ex-Governor J. B. Odell is still fresh in the public memory. It was while interest in the work of the now famous Armstrong insurance committee was at its height and Mr. Harriman was in the witness chair. Chief Inquisitor Charles E. Hughes, now governor elect of New York, asked him the following question:

"It has been charged that through your relations with Mr. Odell you have political influence. What would you say to that?" And the railroad magnate calmly replied, "Well, I should think Mr. Odell had political influence because of his relations with me."

ON BOARD THE LOUISIANA.

President's Quarters on the Panama Trip and the Ship's Mascot.

The Panama canal will, in a physical sense, cut two continents asunder, but in a broader sense it will unite them in the bonds of commerce and friendship as they have never been joined before. In going to the isthmus to see how the work on the canal is getting along President Roosevelt decided to travel by the new warship Louisiana, and suitable quarters for him and his



A SEAMAN OF THE LOUISIANA AND THE MASCOT OF THE SHIP.

wife, Surgeon General Rixey and Assistant Secretary Latta were fitted up. The presidential suite is in the stern of the vessel and was originally designed for the admiral of a fleet. It consists of a breakfast and smoking room combined, a dining room, three bedrooms, two bathrooms and a reception room. The Louisiana is in command of Captain A. R. Couden, and her navigator is Lieutenant Commander Carl Vogelgesang. The battleship is one of the best in the American navy, has a speed of seventeen to eighteen knots an hour, a tonnage of 16,000 and twenty-four guns in her main battery. Officers and men are very proud of the honor they received in having the president and his party on their ship. When the president started they felt confident all would go well if nothing befell the ship's mascot, an animal now known as a kid, which is fast developing into a goat.

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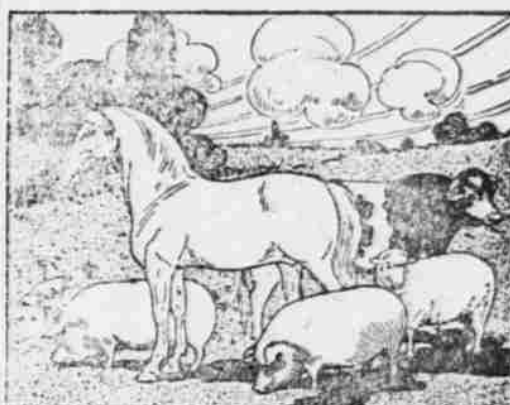
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